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Nova Scotians high on making marijuana legal

Attitude adjustment.

Survey shows about one in two people in N.S. favour legalizing pot for personal use

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Pro-pot sentiment is on the rise in the Maritimes, especially in Nova Scotia, and a researcher says a majority in the region will soon support full legaliza-

A survey published Thursday by Halifax-based Corporate Research Associates Inc. shows Atlantic Canada is split evenly on making marijuana legal for personal use, with 45 per cent of just over 1,500 surveyed supporting and 46 per cent oppos-

Support for the change was highest in Nova Scotia, where a plurality of 49 per cent are already for legalization, with 42 per cent opposed.

Newfoundland and Labrador residents were the second most in favour, with 47 per cent for and 44 per cent against.

"Ten years ago, there wouldn't have been this level of support for legalization, it might have been half of this." said Don Mills, chairman and CEO of CRA.

"We think that we may have reached a tipping point in the region, where almost a majority are supporting it. We will cross over that threshold in the

not-so-distant future."
Younger Atlantic Canadians and those with higher levels of education are more likely to support the change, and in as few as four or five years, those supporters will edge out older nay-sayers, Mills said.

Police say the potential for future legalization concerns

"Essentially, with any types of drugs comes violence, and we believe it has a negative impact on our community," said Halifax Regional Police Const.

"Marijuana smoke is dangerous, and a lot of people don't realize that.'

Jayne Norrie, Lung Association of Nova Scotia

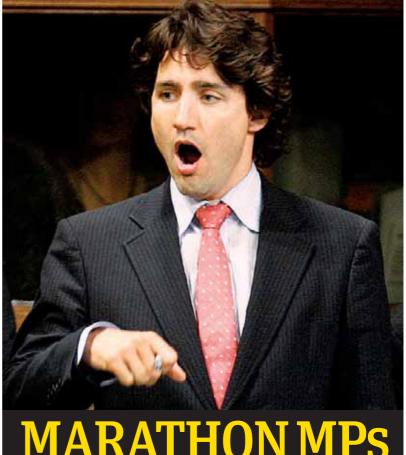
Brian Palmeter.

"I don't think that, just because the government takes it over, that people who are looking to sell drugs are going to stop selling them, or that it will cease any of that violence between those people," Palmeter

The Lung Association of Nova Scotia, too, warns that many young people underestimate the risks of smoking marijuana, which, they say, contains many of the toxic chemicals

found in tobacco products.

"A lot of people think that marijuana smoke isn't harmful. That's a misnomer," said Jayne Norrie, the organization's manager of health initiatives.



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Preliminary hearing begins for Dartmouth North MLA

MLA expense scandal. Trevor Zinck faces

Trevor Zinck faces fraud, theft charges



The only sitting politician charged in the fallout of the MLA expense scandal appeared in a Halifax provincial courtroom on Thursday.

Dartmouth North MLA Trevor Zinck began the first day of a two-day preliminary hearing, appearing with his lawyer Lyle Howe.

Žinck faces charges of breach of trust, fraud over \$5,000, and theft over \$5,000. No details from the preliminary hearing can be reported due to a publication ban.

"We're not prepared to make a statement right now," said Zinck as he left the courtroom. "It looks like we're going to be wrapping things up early (Friday) and then we'll look at making a statement."

Crown attorney Andrew Macdonald also refused to comment. Macdonald called



a total of four witnesses on Thursday, and had two scheduled to appear on Friday.

Zinck, first elected as a New Democrat in 2006, currently sits as an independent having been booted from caucus in 2010.

He was one of four polit-

Trial by judge

After the preliminary hearing wraps up, Trevor Zinck will have at least two dates in Nova Scotia Supreme Court to set trial dates. He has elected trial by supreme court judge alone.

icians charged after auditor general Jacques Lapointe delivered a scathing report on MLA expenses, which developed into a major political scandal in early 2010.

Dave Wilson, the former Liberal MLA from Glace Bay, pleaded guilty to fraudulent expense claims totaling \$61,000 to support his gambling addiction. He was sentenced to nine months in jail.

Richard Hurlburt, the former Tory MLA that became the face of the expense scandal, has also pleaded guilty. He will be sentenced on July 5.

Former Liberal Russell MacKinnon has pleaded not guilty to his charges. His trial is scheduled to begin in March 2013.

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N.S. attorney general won't accept interim report on electoral boundaries



Nova Scotia's attorney general is not accepting an interim report that recommends the preservation of four so-called protected ridings for francophone and black minority groups

Ross Landry has written a letter to the Electoral Boundaries Commission, asking them to revise their report so that it complies with its terms of reference.

The provincial government has said the commission should have obeyed a term of reference that requires constituencies be within 25 per

cent of the average number of electors — a criteria none of the minority group ridings

"Unfortunately, I am not able to accept the interim report as drafted, as it does not follow the requirements set out in the terms of reference," Landry says in the letter released Thursday.

Landry said he has been advised by the legislature's Chief Legislative Counsel that the terms of reference are legally binding upon the commission, and therefore the interim report is "null and void."

Quoted

"Unfortunately, all Nova Scotians are watching the embarrassing spectacle of the NDP government writing their own rules for the next election."

Progressive Conservative Leader Jamie Baillie in a statement

"As such, I would request that the commission prepare a revised interim report that complies with the terms of

The government and the commission have clashed since the release of the interim report two weeks ago. The commission's chairwoman has said its work only needs to be guided by its mandate, according to how they interpret its terms of reference.

The final report is due Aug.

The protected ridings in question include Preston, which has a large number of black constituents.

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17-storeys: Coming soon to a waterfront near you?





Revitalization. Vision of proposed development on Cunard Block includes residential, office and retail space



Imagine 17 glass-encased storeys smack-dab on the Halifax waterfront.

No, it's not Purdy's Wharf, but a vision of what the parking lot sandwiched between Bishop's Landing and the Nova Scotia Power building could be.

Eric Burchill, director of planning and development with the Waterfront Development Corporation, which operates four waterfront parking Quoted

"We expect there will be a strong number of respondents to the tender we'll put out."

Eric Burchill, with the Waterfront Development Corporation

lots, gave a presentation to HRM's design review committee Thursday night on Cunard Block.

"It's an opportunity to really add to the overall residential density both on the southern waterfront district but also on the peninsula," Burchill said in an interview with Metro.

It was once an industrial site, but Burchill said it has been remediated and is ready for development. And since it's in the shadow of the 21-storey Maritime Centre, only a small section of the land is impacted by viewplane restrictions.

"So that means it's one of the sites on the waterfront where we can actually build some height," Burchill said, adding it could go as high as 17 storeys.

It's also able to handle a "fair amount" of sub-grade parking for both tenants and the public. They're also incorporating a live-work design where an entrepreneur could open an office or store on the bottom level and live upstairs.

"The idea is those units could flex back and forth from residential to commercial use over time," he said.

A tender for development will be issued in the next few weeks and Burchill said they're hoping to break ground sometime next year, pending approval from HRM. As is common in waterfront property, developer interest in this project is high.

But Coun. Dawn Sloane, a

But Coun. Dawn Sloane, a big supporter of downtown development, said neighbouring condo complexes will likely put up a fight.

put up a fight.

"The people at Waterfront Place are concerned about losing their views and they told me that back in 2000 when I first got elected," she said. "The ones at Bishop's Landing they know this lot has been empty for years and I'm sure they'll be concerned about shadows."

She said it all depends on where the buildings are placed on the site.

Challenges

How many parking lots does the city really need?

Parking lots or developments — that is the question.

Eric Burchill, with the Waterfront Development Corporation, said the plan is to develop all four of their waterfront parking lots — eventually.

"People will say why do you have parking? But during festival season remember those areas are used for events (like Tall Ships this summer)," he said.

It's one of the challenges they face when looking at the future of the waterfront.

Burchill said with every development, they'll make sure there is ample parking involved and also open space plazas for festivals.

When asked what's more needed in downtown Halifax: residential, office or commercial, Coun. Dawn Sloane said "all of the above."

"We have to start moving forward in the downtown," she said. JENNIFER TAPLIN/METRO

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Donations down. Future uncertain for Parker **Street Food Bank**

Of the 28 years since the Parker Street Food Bank first opened, Mel Boutlier says this may be the worst one vet.

Individual cash and food donations to the bank, as well as deliveries of surplus and damaged goods from bigger companies, have fallen sharply lately, while the number of families seeking canned non-perishables continues to rise, the organization's executive director said Thursday.

In the short term, media coverage of Boutlier's fears this week that the community centre would have to close down inspired some to donate, he said, but the future of the food bank is still uncertain, pending how many donations come

in over the next little while. "There's been a good number of people who came with food and with who money, so it's a big boost for us here at this difficult time. But we need to come up with some more permanent, long-term plans," he said Thursday.

He said the food bank

Parker Street Food Bank director Mel Boutlier said the food bank was down to less than two dozen small cans of soup last week — he had to go to the supermarket to get \$500 worth of food

services about 300 families per week, and he figures minimum supply of food per visit they could get by on is about six cans.

With tough economic times leading to increased demand for food and de-creased supply of donations from public and corporate supporters, he's not sure how much longer the food bank can stay afloat, but Boutlier said he's doing everything he can to try.

A shipment from a major supplier is coming in soon, he said, "and with that, and if the public brings in food, and if we manage carefully, we will get by in the next few weeks '

SPENCER BUELL/FOR METRO

Building to be demolished during high tourist season

Demolition delayed.

Entire Queen's Landing project planned for the site estimated at \$190 million



JENNIFER TAPLIN

Talk about bad timing. Demolition on the fourstorey brick building next to the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic was pushed back — right into prime tourist season on the waterfront

Crews are in the process of removing hazardous materials from the BioScience

"It's certainly not ideal, but it's better for us to do the project right ... than it is to rush.

Eric Burchill, with the Waterfront

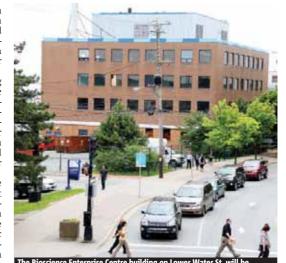
Enterprise Centre, which once housed BioNova, Nova Scotia's Life Sciences and Biotechnology Industry Association. The association long ago moved to Summer

Queen's Landing The project is planned for the site, which has three components: potential expansion to the museum, possible permanent facility for the HMCS Sackville, and a combined hotel-office-retail development by Armour Group Ltd.
"The idea is that all three

of those legs of the project can proceed at independent timelines, but when they're developed, it will be a cohesive whole," said Eric Burchill, director of planning and development with the Waterfront Development Corporation.

But delays will mean the building, right next to the boardwalk used by thou-sands of tourists, will come down sometime this summer or early fall.

"It is a concern. Originally when we commenced the



project we preferred to have it completed in the off-season and unfortunately the project's schedule didn't allow for that. It is something

we have to be mindful of

and co-ordinate for public

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safety purposes," Burchill said.

It took longer than expected to empty the building in order to maximize recovering recyclable materials, he added.



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Pulp & paper. Premier mum on update on the future of struggling mill

Premier Darrell Dexter suggested Thursday that there will be a development concerning the future of a struggling paper mill, days before it begins a temporary shut-

Dexter wouldn't reveal details when asked if the mill in Brooklyn was facing closure, but said the management of Resolute Forest Products should be making a statement soon.

'It's up to them to talk to their workers and I understand that they will do that," he told reporters.

"There is no question that we are continuing to see an erosion in that market that is very difficult, but I think ultimately it will be up to the Resolute management to make and explain a deci-

A spokesman with Resolute did not return calls and emails Thursday.

The plant, which is still known locally as the Bowater Mersey mill, is scheduled to shut down Sunday for about two weeks. It also shut down last month, the latest in a series of scheduled down

- Darrell Dexter defended the lifeline deal Thursday, saying he wasn't prepared to give up on the plant.
- "What would you do? You're going to walk away from the jobs of thousands of people? I think that would just be wrong," he said.

times for the mill since De-

Late last year, unionized workers at the mill voted to cut 110 jobs in an effort to reduce labour costs and help save the operation, which used to employ about 300 people.

permanent closure would be a blow to the area, which relies heavily on jobs at the mill. It could also pose some difficult questions for the provincial government, which provided a \$50-million lifeline to the company last year. The CANADIAN PRESS

Dexter worry-free about feds' pledge for new navy ships

Jobs. Under its \$25-billion deal, the Irving Shipyard is slated to build 21 combat vessels.

Premier Darrell Dexter says he believes a contract that Irving Shipyards is negotiating with the federal government to build new navy vessels in Halifax will provide the number of jobs that's been promised.

Dexter said Thursday he isn't concerned about the negotiations, but he agrees with the chief of the defence staff, Gen. Walter Natynczyk, that it's time to start cutting steel for the ships.

"I don't think there's any reasons to be concerned about the form that that is going to take," he said. "But what I would like to see, of course, is the federal government and Irving Shipyards sign an agreement as soon as possible.'

Defence analysts warned that federal austerity measures could delay delivery of Canada's next fleet of warships. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Don't approach



Public help sought with assault case

Halifax police are asking for the public's help in locating a man wanted in relation to an assault.

Around 4:15 p.m. on June 7, police responded to a domestic disturbance but the suspect wasn't there when they arrived. Police say a number of offences took place, but haven't been able to locate the Robert James Smith, 30, who is charged with assault, uttering threats, unlawfully in a dwelling house and three counts of breaching probation.

Police believe he may be staying in the Spryfield area, but advise he shouldn't be approached. Anyone who knows his

whereabouts is asked to contact Halifax police at 490-5016 METRO

Medical condition

Investigation into man's treatment while in custody

Four investigators have been assigned to review how Halifax police officers handled a man who developed a medical problem while in a holding cell.

The 27-year-old man developed a serious medical condition while in custody and was taken to hospital. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Prostate Cancer Canada

The race is on

People in HRM will be lacing up their running shoes to support Prostate Cancer Canada on Sunday

morning. Halifax will be one of 15 cities across Canada holding an annual Father's Day Walk/Run, the proceeds from which fund awareness initiatives and research into treatment, diagnosis and support for those affected by the disease.

Registration at Dalhousie U's Studley Gymnasium begins at 8 a.m. and the walk/run will take place starting at 9:30 a.m. METRO

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Chignecto-Central. Quality education even after cuts: **Education minister**

Nova Scotia's education minister says she is confident students at the Chignecto-Central Regional School Board will continue to get a quality education after it voted this week to cut the equivalent of 127 jobs

Ramona Jennex said Thursday the amount of money the board is spending reflects its enrolment, which has dropped by 1,700 students over the past four years

"Ĭt's up to the board to make sure they're staffing the schools appropriately to meet the

needs of our students," she said. Earlier this year, the province stepped in to prevent the board from cutting its 41 librarians to cope with a \$6.5-million

Sobey Art Award

Short list announced for art award

The Art Gallery of Nova Scotia and Sobey Art Foundation have announced the short list for this year's Sobey Art Award.

Gareth Moore, Jason de Haan, Derek Sullivan,



budget shortfall. The board savs it is going ahead with a partial elimination of library services as part of the cuts it is making after the province sliced 1.7 per cent from its funding for 2012-13. The board said the cuts will be felt in schools.

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Raphaelle de Groot and Eleanor King are in the running for the \$50,000 prize, which celebrates contemporary art. Each of the other finalists

will receive \$5,000.

Work by the artists will be shown in an exhibition opening Oct. 24 at the Museum of Contemporary Canadian Art in Toronto. The winner will be announced Nov. 16.

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Tuition relief not in the cards: More



High fees. NDP membership voted last week to reduce costs



Labour and Advanced Education Minister Marilyn More despite a resolution passed at last weekend's NDP annual general meeting, there is no plan to reduce tuition costs in Nova Scotia

A motion put before the NDP membership and ap-proved at the AGM committed the party to reducing Nova Scotia's tuition fees
— the fourth highest in the country — in their next mandate, should they get one.

But More said Thursday

that the motion merely expressed the will of the membership, and does not bind the government to any action.

"That's advice from the party to government," More told reporters.

Marilyn More removed the cap on tuition in February 2011, allowing costs to go up by three per cent a year. She noted, however, that the government has invested \$90 million into student assistance since 2009.

"We focused on improving student assistance ... (and) we put a cap on tuition fees because both the premier and I have committed to keeping tuition for Nova Scotia students in Nova Scotia universities at undergraduate levels at or below the national average.

When asked if that was a long way of saying that no, the province doesn't intend to reduce tuition fees, More said: "as a government, we have to look at the broad picture, and certainly we want good quality sustainable universities throughout Nova

The Alliance of Nova Scotia Students' Associations asked that the government put this "clarion call" from its membership into action, saying it was a clear message of the will of the party.



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Parliament Hill.

Flaherty accuses NDP of stalling as opposition gets comfortable for marathon voting session

The two sleep-deprived sides of the House of Commons kept vigilant watch on each other Thursday as bleary-eyed MPs stood up and sat down over and over again, their 24-hour marathon voting session pushing past the halfway mark.

"I've got to get myself comfy — off come the shoes," said New Democrat MP Glenn Thibeault, describing one of the many ways MPs sought comfort through the 12th hour of voting on more than 800 amendments to Bill C-38.

Members of Parliament bobbed from their seats through the night and into the afternoon as they voted on 871 opposition motions that are designed to thwart, or at least publicize, the Harper government's sprawling omnibus budget-implementation bill.

Liberal House leader Marc Garneau's best guess for when the voting would finally be over? Likely 1 a.m. Friday morning, he said — 24 hours after it began.

The long haul seemed to have taken a toll on Finance Minister Jim Flaherty. He was waspish in his comments about the opposition's efforts to delay passage of his budget bill.

"This is not a time for gamesmanship," Flaherty said.

"This is a serious time in which we need to protect Canada and advance our economic agenda ... and we'll do whatever we have to do today and tonight and in the early hours of tomorrow morning to get the job done."

NDP House leader Nathan Cullen had tried to win unanimous consent to hold question period at the regular time, only to be shouted down from the government benches.

Flaherty was scornful of Cullen's gambit, saying the NDP wasted several hours before voting even began and were deliberately taking their time getting to their feet during each individual vote.

Cullen, meanwhile, wasn't surprised his motion for question period was shouted down.

"The government doesn't really like question period all that much," he said. "Something about being held to account."

The legislation contains a bewildering maze of changes to dozens of statutes. Critics say such omnibus bills amount to a massive abuse of Parliament — an argument a young Stephen Harper once made with some conviction as a Reform MP. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Twitte

What was on the minds of some of the MPs during the marathon voting session, shared via Twitter:

@MarcGarneau

The smell of bacon is wafting into the House of Commons. I remain focused like a laser #BudgetFAIL #C38 #LPC

@MeganLeslieMP

Slipped out a few votes ago to brush my teeth. I'm a new woman! #omnibudget, watch out.

@KyleSeeback

Just got permission from the whip for an unplanned bathroom break. Let the good times roll!

@ElizabethMay

So cool to have @Sarah Harmer in the gallery to encourage the fight against #C38 #cdnpoli

@nathancullen

Min of Immigration just dumped water on the laptop of the Min of Immigration. Either tense or clumsy.

Supreme Court. Battered woman defence could include hiring hit-men

Nicole Ryan had just been arrested and locked up for trying to hire a hit man to kill her abusive husband — and she couldn't believe her good fortune.

Caught by an undercover RCMP officer in March 2008, Ryan was subjected to a court-ordered psychiatric assessment at the Nova Scotia Hospital. Her young daughter was in protective custody and safe from her father — a man who had threatened to kill them both.

"I felt very safe ... I could almost say that I was treated like a queen," she recalled at her trial, where she was ultimately acquitted of counselling to commit murder.

"I got the chance and the opportunity to ... to breathe, to calm down ... and find Nicole."

On Thursday, the Supreme Court of Canada embarked on its own formidable search: determining whether the battered woman's defence should be expanded to include the hiring of a hit man to kill an abusive spouse.

abusive spouse.

The Supreme Court heard arguments in the emotionally-charged case, and when it issues a ruling — possibly as early as this fall — it could reshape the landmark defence for abused women that it al-

Courtroom drama

Chief Justice Beverley Mc-Lachlin had a sharp exchange with prosecutor William Delaney over whether the facts of Ryan's case could be adapted to fit the Criminal Code definition of self-defence, under which the battered woman's defence falls.

 "Why is it not open to us to say self-defence was available, take the findings of fact of the trial judge, apply the law to those findings of fact and give the remedy accordingly?" McLachlin said in response to Delaney's doubts.

ready established in a 1990 decision.

The Nova Scotia Court of Appeal upheld Ryan's acquittal in 2010.

A full panel of nine Supreme Court justices heard competing arguments over the merits of two different criminal law defences at play in Ryan's case that can allow an accused person to be acquitted of a crime — that they acted in self-defence or that they were acting under duress.



A lesson in peaceful demonstration

Adam Boutlidja, left, a student at Cavelier-De LaSalle High School plays the guitar alongside fellow students outside the school Thursday in Montreal, to support a teacher that had been suspended for showing high-school students the infamous video that shows a killing allegedly committed by Luka Rocco Magnotta. The teacher has since been fired. Graham HUGHES/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Russel Williams

Killer denies assault victim entitled to money

Convicted murderer Russell Williams is denying that a woman he tied up and sexually assaulted is entitled to compensation from him for pain and suffering.

In a statement of defence to a lawsuit launched by Laurie Massicotte in Belleville, Ont., Williams says she will have to prove her claims in court. And he wants her to pay for his legal bills.

Massicotte filed a nearly \$7-million lawsuit in September against Williams. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Club drug

Ecstasy can be safe to consume: official

B.C.'s top health official says taking pure ecstasy can be "safe" when consumed responsibly by adults, despite warnings by police in Alberta and British Columbia about the dangers of the street drug after a rash of deaths.

Dr. Perry Kendall asserts the risks of MDMA — the pure substance originally synonymous with ecstasy — are overblown, and that its lethal dangers only arise when the man-made chemical is polluted by money-hungry gangs who cook it up.

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Hutterite leaders blast documentary

American Colony.

Anabaptist leaders upset with National Geographic production

A TV documentary series about an Anabaptist community in Montana offers a "distorted" and contrived image, bishops representing the Hutterite faith in the U.S. and Canada said

John Stahl, Peter Entz and John Waldner, bishops for the three sects encompassing the roughly 50,000 Hutterites and 500 colonies in North America, said in a joint statement they are "deeply disappointed" in National Geographic Channel's American Colony: Meet the Hutterites.

The 10-part series that began airing last month promised a rare inside look at Hutterite colony life, focusing on the King Ranch Colony.

Why the clergy hated it

"... A distorted and exploitative version of Hutterite life."

Hutterite bishops John Stahl, Peter Entz and John Waldner make a joint statement concerning the portrayal of their commun-ities in a new 10-part television series.

The bishops accused producers of contriving scenes and dialogue in a "make believe" portrayal of "how we live and the spiritual beliefs we cherish."

The channel and the production company were reviewing the bishops' joint statement Thursday and did not have an

immediate comment. Members of the King Ranch commune are depicted as drinking alcoholic beverages and cursing. Some parents are shown questioning their faith's tenets, while a restless teenager flouts rules on dress and dating.



'Hell on earth.' Judges tour Zimbabwe's infamous jail

Zimbabwe's top judges visited a notorious Harare jail Thursday after receiving complaints that it is filthy, ill-equipped and uninhabitable, but a rights activist and reporters who joined the tour said the cells had apparently been cleaned up just in time for the jurists' arrival.

The five Supreme Court judges toured the main Harare police station cells and said they will rule later on whether to close down the cells because conditions are inhumane, in a suit brought by members of Women of Zimbabwe Arise, a group founded to champion women's issues.

The group's members have been arrested after demonstra-tions that featured rattling pots and pans to call attention to food shortages, or handing out red roses on Valentine's Day to protest domestic and political violence.

The judges inspected only three dimly-lit cells with six concrete beds and no mat-tresses. Dozens more cells remained locked

Cellblock makeover

"These were not the conditions we were detained in.'

Jenni Williams, founder of Women of Zimbabwe Arise, reacts to improved conditions of prisoner cells during Thursday's tour of the Harare jail

Reporters with the judges say the usually overcrowded cells were empty and appeared to have been cleaned.

Williams said she and three other activists who filed the suit were once detained in a "filled with pools of urine and littered with feces and condoms." She said they were given frayed, foul-smelling blankets that were inadequate on cold stone floors. Fresh water was unavailable and jail authorities provided no food for prisoners, who relied on supplies from relatives.

"It was hell on earth, it was torture — all because we were demanding our rights," Williams said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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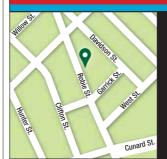
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30th Anniversary

Remembering the Falklands War

Falkland Islanders are celebrating the 30-year anniversary of the day British troops forced Argentina to give up its occupation.

Amid heavy snowfall, about 350 people followed a military parade down Stanley's Ross Road to Liberation Monument where the sacrifices of British soldiers were honoured. Britain's Latin America

Minister Jeremy Browne laid a wreath, as did the islands' British Gov. Nigel Haywood and legislative assembly member Jan

Argentina still claims the islands are part of its national territory, but Browne said in an interview on Falklands Radio that islanders alone must determine their future. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

China

Foxconn employee jumps to his death

A Foxconn Technology Group employee jumped to his death Wednesday from a company-rented apartment building in southwest China's Sichuan province, local

police said. At least a dozen Foxconn employees have jumped to their deaths or tried to do so since 2010, casting spotlight on the world's largest contract maker of electronics. The Taiwan-based company has been besieged with reports of poor working and living conditions for its workers at factories and dorms.

A public security bureau in Chengdu city identifies the employee only by the surname Xie and says the cause remains under investigation THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Video purports to show police kidnapping murder victims



A frame grab taken from video filmed by a surveillance camera in January, and released by the Jalisco state prosecutor's office on Thursday, of the alleged kidnapping. JALISCO STATE PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Corruption. Gunmen with officers could belong to the Jalisco New Generation drug gang: Investigators

There it was on video: Five heavily armed policemen barge into a hotel in Lagos de Moreno, western Mexico, before dawn on Jan. 20 and march out with three handcuffed men in underwear

But police weren't making an arrest. Prosecutors say they apparently were taking orders from criminals. Just hours after the three were seized, they were found asphyxiated and beaten to death.

Mexicans have become inured to lurid tales of police collaboration with narcotics gangs during 5 1/2 years of a drug war that has cost more than 47,500 lives. But seldom can they actually see it occur, and the video broadcast on national television was a shocker.

"One assumes that in some cities ... the municipal police work for the drug cartels," said Jorge Chabat an expert on security and drug trafficking at the Center for Economic Research and Teaching. "But what is different here is that there is a video. It's not the same thing to imagine that this (is) going on, and to see it."

The officers were not detained until June 6 and they still have not been formally charged with any crime. "It took time to obtain the video

tapes, to do the investigation, and to get the arrest warrants," said Jalisco state prosecutor's spokesman Lino Gonzalez.

The video comes less than three weeks before national and state elections in which security is a major issue. Critics accuse President Felipe Calderon of setting off a bloodbath with his strategy against gangs, while his party's presidential candidate, Josefina Vazquez, has suggested her opponents are ready to compromise with the cartels. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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Grief for her colleagues

Dr. Fatima Haji reacts on getting word of a judge's verdict Thursday at a fellow doctor's home in Sehla, Bahrain, west of the capital Manama. A defence lawyer in Bahrain says a court has sentenced nine medical professionals to prison terms ranging from one month to five years in a retrial on charges of aiding the Gulf kingdom's uprising.

HASAN JAMALI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Aghanistan. Landslide victims buried alive to be left where their bodies lie

Afghan officials say they are halting efforts to dig out more than 60 bodies from the site of a devastating landslide that followed earthquakes in northern Afghanistan earlier this week. They plan to make the area a memorial to the dead.

The government has said 71 people were buried in Monday's landslide, but the police chief of Baghlan province's Burka district says they have pulled out only five bodies in four days of diaging

of digging.

He says that religious leaders in the area recom-

mended that they leave the bodies buried under the hill and rename it "Martyrs Hill"

Police Chief Azizullahrahman said Thursday that more than 800 people helped with the effort to dig out the bodies of the victims.

Two earthquakes struck the area early Monday, causing the landslide.

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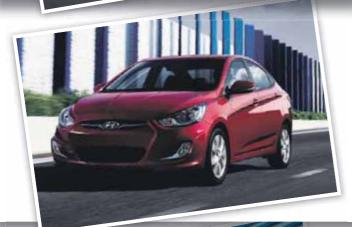
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Secret files kept by Boy Scouts ordered released

Scouts tried to keep them private. Court in the U.S. says use of the files in a molestation suit makes them part of the public record

A court in the U.S. has approved the release of so-called "perversion files" compiled by the Boy Scouts of America on suspected child molesters within the organization over two decades.

This will give the public its first chance to review the files

on 1,200 people. The files gathered from 1965 to 1985 came to light when they were used as evidence in a landmark Oregon ruling in 2010 that the Scouts had failed to protect a plain-tiff who had been molested by an assistant scoutmaster in the early 1980s.
The Scouts were ordered to

pay the man \$18.5 million US.

The case drew attention to the organization's efforts to keep child molesters out of its

The 20,000-page files contain accusations against scout leaders that ranged from child abuse to lesser offences.

leadership ranks.

In recent years, the Boy Scouts have faced numerous lawsuits from men who say they were molested as children by scout leaders.

The Boy Scouts fought to keep the files sealed, arguing that opening them could unfairly affect those who were suspected but never convicted of abuse.

Media organizations challenged the Scouts' efforts to keep the files under seal, arguing that their introduction by attorneys in the suit makes them public record. A judge agreed.

The files are part of a larger trove of documents the Boy Scouts began compiling several decades ago on people flagged as possible molesters. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Ottawa. Mom of suspected pimp fears daughter's death



JESSICA SMITH

The mother of a 17-year-old pimping suspect Ottawa police are searching for says she is also trying to find her daughter, who she fears has been killed.

"Either she went into hiding or she has been killed. That is what I want to know. Where is my daughter? Are the police of Ottawa doing their job?" the woman said emotionally when reached by phone Thursday.

Police allege the woman's daughter and two 15-year-olds forced three teen girls into prostitution. The 15-year-olds are in custody facing serious charges including assault and human trafficking.

Police have not yet released the 17-year-old's name to the public, though under the Youth Criminal Justice Act they may apply for permission to temporarily release her name in order to find her.

"If the police were doing their job they would have found where my daughter is," the woman said. "She is just a

"What does she eat? Where does she sleep?" she asked. "(Name withheld) is a little girl. I lost my little girl. She is a nice girl. She is not mentally ill. She is not a crackhead."

The woman said her daughter "hasn't done anything" but is being "blamed" by the police.

The woman, who cannot be named, suggested Quebec police are also searching for her daughter and said they are doing a better job.

"F— you for the police. F— you for the journalist," she said.

Raids

Suspected British pedophiles nabbed

British police raided homes and properties of dozens of suspected pedophiles including a retired teacher

and a scout leader. Cops executed 141 warrants for offences relating to the possession and distribution of indecent images of children. Also among those arrested were a referee, a pathologist and a firefight-OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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Egyptian court increases generals' grip on power

Presidential runoff.

Rulings are a 'fullfledged coup': Islamic Brotherhood member

Judges appointed by Hosni Mubarak dissolved Egypt's Islamist-dominated parliament Thursday and ruled his former prime minister eligible for the presidential runoff election this weekend — setting the stage for the military and remnants of the old regime to stay in power.

The politically charged rulings dealt a heavy blow to the fundamentalist Islamic Brotherhood, with one senior member calling the decisions a "full-fledged coup," and the group vowed to rally the public against the military.

The decision by the Supreme Constitutional Court effectively erased the tenuous progress from Egypt's troubled transition in the past year, leaving the country with no parliament and concentrating power even more firmly in the hands of the



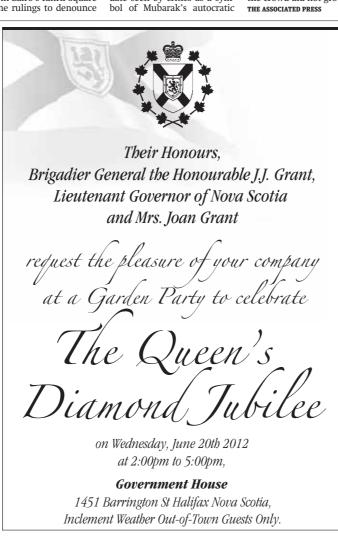
generals who took over from Mubarak.

Several hundred people gathered in Cairo's Tahrir Square after the rulings to denounce

the action and rally against former Prime Minister Ahmed Shafiq, the presidential candidate seen by critics as a symbol of Mubarak's autocratic rule. But with no calls by the Brotherhood or other groups for massive demonstrations, the crowd did not grow.

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Putin's regime cracks down on It girl activist

Dramatic shift. Socialite Ksenia Sobchak was initially shunned by opposition due to close personal ties to leader

"I'm Ksenia Sobchak, and I've got something to lose. But I'm here." That's what the 30-year-old blond socialite and TV personality said when she began her unlikely foray into political activism by taking the stage at a huge anti-Putin rally in December.

It was a shaky start.

Sobchak was greeted with jeers and boos from protesters, who derided her as a rich party girl and were suspicious of her motives because of her family's close personal ties to Vladimir Putin. Six months later, Sobchak has been accepted into the ranks of Russia's protest leaders, completing a transformation that reflects the civic awakening of millions of young Russians after a decade of political passivity.

Young Internet-savvy office workers, students and mem-



bers of what is known as the "creative class" form the heart of the protest movement that has drawn tens of thousands onto the streets of Moscow since a December parliamentary election was won by Putin's party with what observers said was widespread fraud.

Putin has taken a tougher approach toward the opposition since returning to the presidency in May. But while hundreds of demonstrators have been detained over the

past month, Sobchak found out only this week that she does indeed have something to lose. Her apartment was among the homes of protest leaders that were raided by police. They read her personal correspondence, seized her passport and confiscated at least one million euros (\$1.3 million) in cash.

It was a quick change of fortune for Russia's It Girl.

Sobchak had been considered untouchable because of Putin's enduring loyalty to her late father, who as mayor of St. Petersburg in the early 1990s gave Russia's future president his first government job and launched his political career. Putin began a third term on May 7 after four years as prime minister.

When asked about Putin, rumoured to be her godfather, Sobchak has expressed gratitude to him for taking care of her family after her father, Anatoly Sobchak, fell out of political favour. She has been restrained in her criticism of Putin himself, while at the same time calling for more open government, fair elections and an end to the corruption that pervades Russian society. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Opposition

A glance at the activists

Ahead of an anti-Putin rally Tuesday, Russian investigators searched homes of several key opposition figures and summoned them for questioning. Here is a look at some of those leading the protests.

ALEXEI NAVALNY



The 36-year-old corruptionfighting lawyer and popular blogger has played a key role in mobilizing Russia's young to rally against Putin's rule. The charismatic and ambitious Navalny spearheaded a series of rallies in Moscow during the winter that brought up to 100,000 people in the streets in the run-up to March's vote. He reaches tens of thousands through his blog and has more than 250,000 followers on Twitter. Navalny has tapped into people's anger over the corruption that pervades public life.

SERGEI UDALTSOV



The leader of the Left Front opposition movement, 35-year-old Udaltsov has been at the forefront of anti-Putin protests for several years. A great-grandson of a Bolshevik revolutionary, Udaltsov has consistently defied the authorities, staging unsanctioned

marches and rallies. He also launched numerous hunger strikes and spent weeks in hospitals. During his political career, Udaltsov was arrested more than 100 times and spent months in prison.

ILYA YASHIN



The 28-year-old member of the leadership of the opposition Solidarity movement has been among key organizers of recent protests. A fiery speaker, Yashin is a passionate critic of the government. "A smart government deals with reasons for protest. A stupid government fights protesters," he said on his blog. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Russia. Official accused of death threat

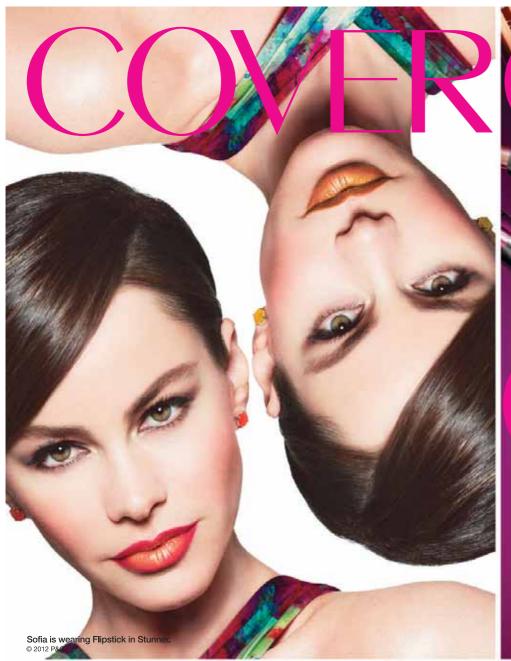
Russia's top investigator denied Thursday that he threatened to kill an investigative reporter over a story that lambasted his agency, but apologized for an "emotional outburst" with the journalist.

Novaya Gazeta, Russia's leading investigative publication, claimed Wednesday that Investigative Committee chief Gen.-Col. Alexander Bastrykin took reporter Sergei Sokolov to a forest outside Moscow where he threatened to kill him and then joked that he would lead the investigation into his death.

The alleged June 4 incident followed Sokolov's story that accused Bastrykin's agency of failing to punish the perpetrator of a 2010 killing of 12

people, including four children, by a gang in southern Russia.

Bastrykin said he had invited the journalist to meet the team that investigated the 2010 killings — and then had a "very emotional conversation" with him. But the conversation did not take place in a forest, he insisted. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS







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BUSINESS

Ex-tycoon sentenced to 110 years in prison

\$7B Ponzi scheme

Former jet-setting Texas tycoon R. Allen Stanford, whose financial empire once spanned the Americas, was sentenced Thursday to 110 years in prison for bilking investors out of more than \$7 billion US over 20 years in one of the largest Ponzi schemes in U.S. history.

U.S. District Judge David Hittner handed down the sentence during a court hearing in which two people spoke on behalf of Stanford's investors.

Prosecutors had asked that Stanford be sentenced to 230 years in prison. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ill communication

Rogers technicians going on strike Friday: Union

The union representing 200 technicians who service Rogers Communications Inc. customers in Ontario say they will go on strike on Friday at 8 a.m.

The workers, represented by the Communications, Energy and Paperworkers Union of Canada, are employed by Dependable Home Tech (DĤT) and Intek Communications Inc.

The union has said one of the key issues is that employees are paid on a piece-work system, which creates financial instability. The union accused both Intek and DHT of refusing to bargain. THE CANADIAN PRESS

RIM pays former co-CEOs \$12M

Research in Motion.

BlackBerry maker giving ex-leader Jim Balsillie \$8M and Mike Lazaridis, who remains on the RIM board, \$4M

The former co-CEOs of Black-Berry-maker Research in Motion will receive a combined \$12 million in payouts for leaving their roles at the struggling company.

In a document filed with se-curities regulators on Thursday, ahead of the company's annual meeting in July, RIM outlined the details of what each former executive receives.

Jim Balsillie will be paid nearly \$8 million in salary and other compensation after stepping down as leader in January



talk to media after an Ontario Securities Commission hearing in Toronto

and leaving the company two

Mike Lazaridis, who remains a member of the board. will be paid about \$4 million in salary and compensation under the condition that he will "continue to make himself reasonably available" to help the company in the future.

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Ťhe deal also gives Lazaridis his own office, executive assistant, as well as a car and driver for two years, at a combined

value of about \$733,000. RIM says in the filings that Balsillie and Lazaridis "revolutionized the worldwide wireless industry with the introduction of the BlackBerry and forever changed how the world communicates.

The company has seen its stock plummet and its financial results significantly weaken in the face of intense competition from the rival Apple iPhone and devices using Google's Android operating system.

In January, RIM promoted Thorsten Heins to the leadership role, a position that is earning him \$10.2 million for the company's 2012 financial Vear. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Market Minute



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.com. Big brands targeting domain-name suffixes

Amazon.com wants ".joy," Google wants ".love" and L'Oreal wants ".beauty.'

Big brands are behind hundreds of proposals for new Internet addresses, including scores for generic terms such as "cruise," ".kids" and ".tires."

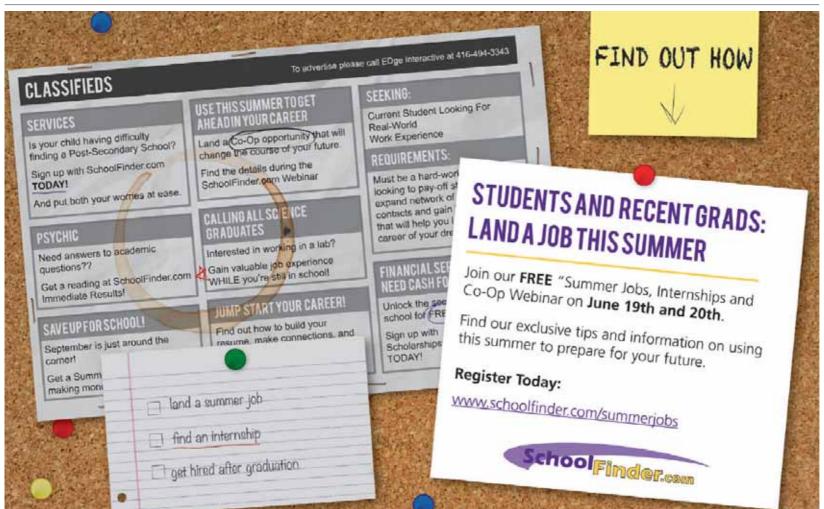
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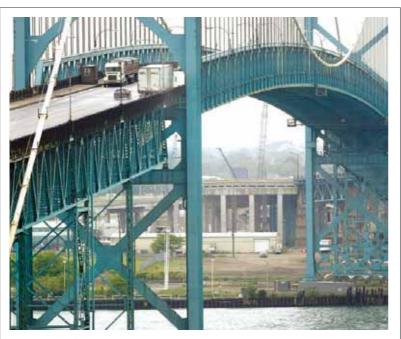
use ".author" in an attempt to dominate online book-selling, while Google could use '.love" to collect registration fees from its rivals.

Amazon and Google also are vying for ".app" and ".music," while the wine company Gallo Vineyards Inc. wants ".barefoot."

It's all part of the largest expansion of the Internet address system since its creation in the 1980s, a process likely to cause headaches for some companies while creating vast opportunities for others. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

There were 1,930 proposals for 1,409 different suffixes. About 100 were for suffixes in non-English characters,





A time for building bridges in Windsor?

Vehicles cross the Ambassador Bridge as seen from Windsor, Ont., in this file photo. Prime Minister Stephen Harper will be in Windsor and across the river in Detroit on Friday amid speculation he'll help announce a new bridge between the two border cities. About one-quarter of all Canada-U.S. trade currently flows across the Ambassador Bridge. But the bridge is close to a century old and bottlenecks are not uncommon. The Ontario Trucking Association is among the groups that have been eagerly awaiting the announcement of a second bridge. THE CANADIAN PRESS PLE

Bank of Canada warning of fallout from EU crisis

A nation exposed.

Federal regulatory body puts Canadians on alert over instability created by inflated real-estate values, household debt

The Bank of Canada continues to warn that the high level of household debt and overvalued real estate in this country have left the economy vulnerable if a financial shock erupts in Europe.

In its financial system re-

In its financial system review identifying risks to the economy, the bank noted certain segments of the housing market that have a persistent oversupply — such as condos in Toronto — face a higher risk of a price correction.

Using a hypothetical stress test, the bank says a three-percent increase in unemployment — about the same as occurred in the recent recession — would almost triple the proportion of indebted households that would go into arrears.

The current rate is currently about half a per cent and could rise 1.3 per cent under that scenario.

A shock would also cut into net worth of Canadians. The bank points out that 40 per cent of household worth is tied to the value of their real estate holdings, compared to only 34 per cent a decade ago. "Markets in Canada have

"Markets in Canada have been relatively stable ... nevertheless, a further significant deterioration in global financial conditions could have a considerable impact in Canada through trade, financial and confidence channels," the bank said Thursday its semi-annual financial systems review.

In fact, the bank says the spillover effects on Canada's financial institutions, such as banks "troud be substantial"

banks, "would be substantial."

While the report does not attempt to place odds on the chance of a Europe-centred shock, it judges the risks as "very high."

The dire warning — not al-

The dire warning — not altogether unexpected from the central bank given renewed turbulence in Europe, lends some urgency to the G20 summit of leaders in Mexico next week, where Europe will be the main topic.

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The ripple effect

The central bank concluded that the risks of a European financial meltdown could ripple around the world.

- Diminished growth. Rock-bottom interest rates would further erode the positions of life insurance companies and pension plans and boost household borrowing.
- A negative feedback loop. What the central bank is describing is a scenario almost identical to what happened during the recession of 2008.



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Buyer beware: Céline Dion's 19-acre Île Gagnon retreat is the most expensive property ever listed on the Quebec housing market. The Normandy-style château is

listed at almost \$30 million, but rumour has it they may trade it straight up for Spain.

Not cool: Last weekend, an Ontario couple allegedly left their dog in a car with no water in 30 C heat. The dog died, and the owners face a \$2,000 fine, six months of jail time, or 18 hours in a sauna.

Tall tales: Friday, Nik Wallenda will attempt to cross the

Niagara Gorge on a tightrope. Offspring of the legendary Flying Wallendas have been bred into death-defying feats for almost two centuries. Despite meticulous training, several have actually been killed or left disabled performing these acts. Someone in my family tripped on their shoelace in 1978, and the rest of us have been wearing loafers ever since. Just sayin'

Set your PVRs: CBC's newest reality show will feature auditions to play Dorothy in Andrew Lloyd Webber's production of The Wizard of Oz, which hits Toronto's Ed Mirvish Theatre in December. Girls will compete for a chance to wear the ruby slippers on the cleverly entitled Over the Rainbow, where they will sing (you guessed it) Over the Rainbow. Another innovative gem from our federally funded friends at the CBC

Dallas: TNT's revival of one of the most popular '80s shows is a success. With a good-looking new cast and a few originals, there probably won't be a "Who shot J.R.?" cliffhanger this time around. A more likely ending would be "Who slipped J.R. a Viagra?"

Papillon: A study at Yale University recently revealed 6 that female butterflies preferred males with flashier wings. Erica Westerman, the study's lead author, says, "The male did not have to court them or engage in flashy behaviour. There is a bias in what females learn.... Extra ornamentation is better." Is this a metaphor?

Rock of Ages: The star-studded film version of the suc-cessful play debuts Friday. A safe choice for viewers who enjoy a good soundtrack. As I said two years ago when the play opened, you can expect your "run-of-the-mill, guitargrinding, drum-thumping, head-banging, cross-gender, glammetal, '80s rebel-rock." Who among us can't relate to that?

Righteous rockers: This week in 1964, the Roll-

ing Stones were touring in the U.S. when they were reminded of a show that had been booked a year earlier. The band had to fly back to the U.K. to perform at Oxford's Magdalen College for £100 (\$160). Despite increased rates and demand, the gentlemen honoured their obligation. Airfare cost them £2,500 (\$4,000).

Three words: This weekend we pay homage to the men Q that raised us, taught us right from wrong, picked us up when we fell and snuck us a treat when mom said "No." Some left abruptly and some suffered far too long, but if your dad is around today, pick up the phone and tell him you love him, or head on over and give him a hug. It's better than a tie or that awful cologne, and will last a whole lot longer. Happy Father's Day.



Bare bones of archaeology



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Move over, Dracula

'Vampire' skeleton on display in Bulgaria

A skeleton dating back to the Middle Ages and recently unearthed in the town of Sozopol is displayed at the National History Museum in Sofia, Bulgaria, on Thursday.

Ever since archaeologists announced last week that they had found two ancient skeletons in Bulgaria with iron rods thrust through their chests, the media have been reporting

how Bulgarians once did that to prevent the dead from emerging from the grave as vampires. On Saturday, one of those skeletons will be put on display at the National His-tory Museum, and its director, Bozhidar Dimitrov, says he expects there to be a big turnout.

Dimitrov said Thursday that some people who were believed to have led evil lives were treated that way when they were buried in parts of Bulgaria as recently as the beginning of the last century

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this you-year-out skeleton was stadded in the chest with all front rod an had his teeth pulled before being put to rest. The media have reported that because vampire tales remain popular in Balkan countries, some people in the Black Sea resort of Sozopol, where the skeletons were found in a graveyard, are having trouble sleeping at night.



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Should the unemployed be expected to move to get a job?



Anyone know where I could acquire a dressmaker's dummy? Like a mannequin? ...besides the atrocious Argyle zombie pit!! Thanks #Halifax !!

@ellesmithsonian:

It's suddenly so hot in Halifax that I am taking my pasty, pasty legs for a walk in short-shorts that I usually reserve for the

@ballyhewe:

Oh summer - haven't seen you since late March, when you teased us. Please stay this time. Sincerely, Halifax.

@notoriousnaom:

My word you find the scariest people on the halifax metro tran-

@Fruit Slinger:

Cosmic Bingo in Halifax on Saturday nights? This tv ad had a hot guy in it. I'm so there

Adam Sandler plays Donny Berger, a party animal who, at age 13, engaged in extracurricular activities with his homeroom teacher. When their lovemaking interrupted the graduation ceremony, she was sent to jail, and he was left to raise their baby Han Solo Berger (Andy Samberg), with disastrous results. Cut to present day. Father and son are estranged, and Donny's glory days are behind him. He needs \$43,000 to pay off taxes or he's going to jail. He turns to the one person he knows might have the money, his son, now a wealthy businessman on the eve of getting married.

Richard:

Mark:

Reel Guys

Sandler keeps sinking





That's My Boy. It looks like Adam Sandler has finally gone from tiresome to just embarrassing

Richard: Mark, I felt like I witnessed something special tonight. But not special in a good way. Tonight we sat through That's My Boy and I can't help but think that what we saw wasn't so much a movie, but more some kind of performance art where people who should know better do awful things and charge you 10 bucks to watch.

I hope this is some kind of postmodern art project, 'cuz a comedy it ain't. What did

you think?

Mark: I didn't laugh, but I didn't expect to. What can you say about a movie that tries to resurrect Vanilla Ice's career, and almost succeeds?

You may call it performance art, but that would only be accurate if someone actually performed in this pastiche. I don't know what irritated me more: Sandler's sketch acting style, Andy Samberg's unfunny, wussy role, the pedophilia and incest motifs, or the desperate, forced "edginess" of the

You're right about the movie being "special" — like a train wreck, I couldn't look away. At least I wasn't bored, although I spent a lot of time wishing I were.

RC: I think Adam Sandler has finally turned the corner from tiresome to embarrassing. It's hard to imagine a lazier rehashing of all the man-children he has played in the past.

There's shades of Mr. Deeds, Billy Madison and Gilmore here, Нарру topped off with a grating New England character voice that sounds like a cross between a can opener opening a can of Boston Baked Beans and screeching tires.

MB: I kept asking myself: would this movie be more palatable if Sandler dropped the grating accent? And then I went one step further and recast the role with Steve Carell in the lead and you know what? It would still

smell. Richard, you call Sandler's character a lazy rehash. but the whole movie is dripping in '80s and '90s nostalgia probably the decades when Sandler's comedy made most sense. Can you pick a scene or actor in this mess that stood above the rest of it? Mine would have to be the scene set in the upscale mens' spa.

RC: No one escapes this movie unsullied. Also, what does Adam Sandler have against The Godfather?

First he debases Pacino in Jack & Jill, and now James Caan. It's a good thing Brando is gone.

MB: I just emailed Robert Duvall telling him to watch out. Sandler's obviously working his way down the list.

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Scene in brief

Streep gives props to Davis

They may have been Oscar rivals earlier this year, but there's nothing but love between Meryl Streep and Viola Davis. Streep, who ended Davis' awards run for The Help by winning the lead actress Oscar the lead actress Oscar for The Iron Lady, lauded her friend and colleague Tuesday at Women in Film's annual Crystal + Lucy Awards. She called Davis "a lion-hearted woman" and a gifted and determined actress. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Musical



Rock of Ages

Director. Adam Shankman

Stars. Tom Cruise, Alec Baldwin,

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Borrowed from Broadway, Rock of Ages takes the '80s hair-band-hit musical and turns it into a celebrity sing-a-long that's as shallow as Poison lyrics. Assembled by Adam Shankman (Hairspray) and featuring Tom Cruise (who can sing!) and Alec Baldwin (who can't), it wedges in a pencil-thin romance between two struggling singers. It aims to be nothin' but a good time, but when Cruise isn't strutting around ambiguously imitating Axl Rose, the story is tediously banal. steve gow

Drama



Moonrise Kingdom

Director. Wes Anderson

Stars. Jared Gilman, Bruce Willis, Edward Norton

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Wes Anderson's films aren't everyone's cup of tea. And with Moonrise Kingdom, the quirky auteur (The Royal Tenenbaums) doesn't bow to box-office pressure over originality either. Set in 1965, two adolescents fall in love and run away on a small island on the eve of a great storm. While Anderson won't likely recruit many new fans, there's no denying his evocative, meticulous style, which helps make this film a fascinating contemporary fable.

Armageddon's a funny thing in Scafaria's film

Using heroin and orgies. Seeking a Friend for the End of the World finds comedy in how people prepare for their death

STEVE GOW

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When Armageddon comes, Lorene Scafaria will likely be found listening to music and dreaming of lost love.

"I'm very much a Penny," admitted the filmmaker about the Keira Knightley character in her new movie Seeking a Friend for the End of the World. "I'd probably be too flaky to get my act together yet I'd want to so badly."

In the apocalyptic comedy, Knightley and Steve Carell pair up as a giant asteroid brings end times to Earth an event that's apparently not as tragic as it seems.

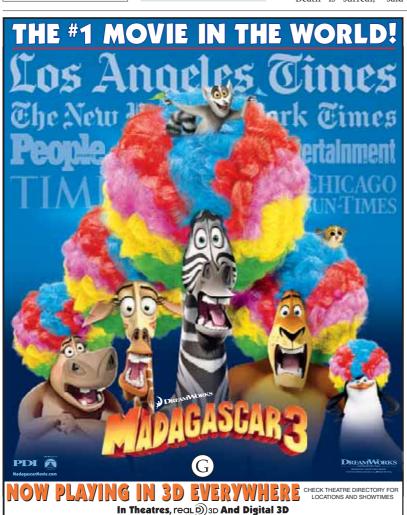
not as tragic as it seems. "Death is surreal," said



Scafaria of her comic vision of humanity coping with inevitable catastrophe through everything from doing heroin at dinner parties to destroying property. "I talked to some people who said they would go to work because they wouldn't know where else to go ... making decisions on how to spend your last three weeks just always seemed comical to me."

As such, the first-time director has drafted a clever cinematic mash-up between

an "end-of-the-world" genre film and a traditional romantic comedy. While it's being released June 22nd — shortly before the Mayan calendar runs out – Scafaria insists the timing of the four-year proiect is merely coincidental.





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SCENE 27

Brave offers up a Disney princess like none you've ever seen before

New direction.

Rookie director Mark Andrews talks about how audiences expect something different from Pixar heroines

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First-time feature director Mark Andrews knows a thing or two about pressure. While he's been a longtime Pixar team member — and director Brad Bird's right-hand man—the task of taking on Brave, the animation studio's latest feature, was more than a little daunting. And it doesn't help that he had to step in for original director Brenda Chapman. But Andrews loves a challenge almost as much as he loves Scotland, where the tale takes place.

Scotland seems like such a



mystical place, with each location having some sort of myth to it.

It is, it is. Everything had a story. Nothing didn't have a story. Every creek and branch and thing. But that was their culture, sharing these stories, and you knew these locations because you had to make them memorable — or stuff actually did happen there. In developing the film, we wanted that aspect in there that every character is telling a story or knows a story, or there's a story about everything that's happening in Brave, so you get story upon story upon story upon story upon story, interwoven in the actual movie.

Did you have any mystical run-ins yourself there?

On my honeymoon, we were in a hotel in Oban, and right

on the counter there's a big thing with newspaper articles on it, from way back when, about this hotel's history. I'm just flipping through, and all of a sudden I go, "Oh my God, ghost in room 216." And just as I read this, the clerk hands us over our keys to room 215. I'm all, "Oh crap." The ghost only shows herself to women to warn women away from men. The ghost is the ghost of a woman who killed herself jumping out of a window because the man she was in love with, that was the last night there in that room, he goes off to sea, doesn't tell her when he comes back that he met some body else. So she's waiting there for him to rendezvous, but he never returns so she offed herself. So the ghost replays their last night together, that argument, and rearranges the furniture in the room back to how it was back in the day. So the maids keep coming in and going, "Ah, the ghost..

You've got to be aware that

when you make a movie with Disney about a princess, there will be inevitable comparisons.

We're the bastard child of Disney — don't put that down. We're conscious of it in the sense that yeah, she's a princess, but why is she a princess? (story-wise), there's more catastrophe that can happen. She can't just be a selfish milkmaid who can run off and marry somebody, right? We're all, "I don't care about that. Let 'em marry somebody." But here's this person, this character that doesn't want to do that stuff. "Um, lady, you're going to be a queen someday. You're going to have to step up." So we get those stakes. But it quickly turns and goes away from that idea and that concept. So it's just a very superficial concept, but because it's so easy and somebody says princess and Disney and thinks that's all that movie is, great. Let them think that. Never try and out-guess us.





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Heads up hipsters



One of my downtown Toronto hipster peeps is on the "Where are you off to

"Calgary," I replied. "As soon as NXNE wraps up, I'm

heading for the Sled Island

(SI) Music and Arts Festival."
"What's that?" my hip-ster friend sniffed, "Some kind of rodeo?"
"It's Western Canada's

largest indie music festival. This is year six."

"Calgary?" he snorted.
"You can't be serious. Everyone knows that there's no culture in Calgary, let alone any kind of proper music scene. It's all dirty oil, cowboy hats and horse manure."

Hardly. Tucked in just

before the Stampede (which with a Royal Canadian turns 100 this year, by the Legion or two thrown in. way), SI's goal to bring some

So, who's coming? Here are of some highlights for what some consider it to be the coolest event of its type

- in the country:
 Feist, (a Calgary native, lest we forget) will play a big outdoor event a week from tonight.
- Alt-rock elder statesmen Thurston Moore (Sonic Youth), Steven Malkmus (Pavement), Lou Barlow (Sebadoh, Dinosaur Jr.) and

Nomeansno

- Shadowy Men on a Shadowy Planet (best known for their surf-rock theme, Having an Average Weekend aka the theme from The Kids in the Hall) will reunite for their first show in six-
- teen years.
 Andrew WK promises to keep partying hard with performances, DJing and motivational talks on (what else?) partying hard.
- Craig Finn will do double duty, performing

solo and with his day job band, The Hold Steady.

- Past Polaris prize nominees, including The Sadies
- and Timber Timbre.
 Lots of super-hot indie bands: Yamantaka / Sonic Titan, Russian Circles, Young Empires, Shabazz Palaces and Parlovr.

By the way, my friend should know that Calgary has been designated the Cultural Capital of Canada for 2012. For full details, go to sledisland.com.

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Lisa Marie Presley in Storm and Grace land

New music. Memphis singer's first album in seven years is a return to her Southern roots

IINDA LABAN

Madonna, Gwyneth, Lisa Marie Presley: All-American girls gone Brit-crazy. For Presley, there's one particular aspect of being an Anglophile that she

likes: the local pub.
"There are lots of pubs near where we live in Sussex, but there's one that's become my local," says Presley. "I love that I can walk in there and see everyone in the village. I never got that social aspect of it until I lived here. I love to go in and say hello to people. And I love Guinness

The Memphis belle's first new album in seven years, the rootsy Americana set Storm and Grace, is being hailed as a return to her Southern roots, but after her last tour, five years ago, all Presley wanted

was to ditch them.
"I didn't feel like doing much of anything for a while,

Storm and Grace is produced by 12-time Grammy Award-winner T Bone Burnett, a master of Amer-

• Quote. "I am a fan of his work, he's done so many great records," says Presley, who manages enthusiastic praise with-out gushing. "I sent him some demos and I was really hoping he'd want to work with me. He got back to me so quickly. I was so happy to work with him."

she says. "I am a writer at heart. I felt that if I was in a different place and got rid of all the things I knew that I'd start writing again. I had to leave everyone and everything I knew behind in order to write."

Presley co-wrote the album in England with several contributors, including two Brits: Pulp guitarist Richard Hawley, who's also a solo artist with a Southern twang; and Ed Har-court, a brilliant melodicist and songwriter.

The many evolutions of Sting

Q & A. Singer-songwriter sat down with Metro to discuss his iPad app, what he's listening to these days and the importance of philanthropy

SZONJA KRESINGER

Sting (born Gordon Matthew Thomas Sumner) has donned many hats and experimented with myriad genres during his

35 years in the spotlight.
From his early days as the lead in the popular and everchanging new wave band the Police, to a solo career incorporating everything from jazz to new age sounds, to the numerous humanitarian and environmental causes he has lent his celebrity status to, Sting is no stranger to exploring new paths.

Yet his most recent tour, Back to Bass, was something of a stripping down for the prolific artist where the path he took was the most basic

Having just come off the Symphonicity tour, per-forming arrangements of his songs with large orchestras, he wanted to do something simpler, an approach he's continuing during his current summer tour.

How did it feel to put your recent box set together, tak-ing a look back at all these years?

I'm not a particularly nostalgic person, so initially, it was quite challenging for me to really look back when my instinct has always been to move forward. But I did feel it was worth taking some time to reflect, seeing what I had achieved in the past 25 years. I certainly had a good time living those 25 years, and it is a pretty significant milestone in my career. I thought if ever there was a suitable time to do a project like the box set, this

Was there any song you wanted to include but finally dropped?

The most challenging part of the process was choosing the songs and inevitably, there were many that didn't end up on the box set. But asking me to pick my favourites would be like asking me to choose a favourite child! I love them all and each one is unique in their own way. That said, I'm very proud of the end result.

Do you plan a new studio album in the near future? I don't really have a plan quite

yet. I enjoy and appreciate

the creative freedom I have, and the ability to do what interests me. I get bored pretty easily and so I always like to do something new and something that is hopefully surpris-ing. I think my audience has come to expect that element of surprise. So I'm really not sure what

comes next, but expect the unexpected.

What types of artistic projects interest you the most?

Like I said, I always like to try something new. I can only do what I'm inspired to do. Right now, I'm working on a play for Broadway.

We're in the very early stages, but I've been writing a lot of music for that. It's completely new territory for me and it's quite exciting.

Why did you decide to have the Sting iPad app? Would you ever consider making music with the help of such gadgets like the iPad?

To me, it's important to embrace new technology and try to evolve with it. I look at the app as a new way of getting

music to people.

It's very innovative, but at the same time it reminds me of the days where you'd purchase an album and get to enjoy all of the photos and liner notes, and really get a sense of how the album was made. That's missing in the digital age. In terms of making music with something like the iPad, I wouldn't rule it out. There's no way of anticipating where technology is going next.





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Expect some Party Rockin' Sunday night

LMFAO. Redfoo and Sky Blu are set to host the MuchMusic Video Awards this weekend

IAN GORMELY

"Party" and "rocks" are both words regularly used to describe the MuchMusic Video Awards. But the nation's music station decided to make it official this year by having party rocking experts LMFAO host their annual shindig on Sunday night.

Despite never having hosted an awards show, the duo — made up of Redfoo and Sky Blu — weren't the least bit surprised when the offer came their way. "I'm surprised more entities don't have us doing more of this stuff," says Redfoo, on the phone from the band's Houston stop on their current Party Rockin' Tour.

Based in Los Angeles, LM-FAO (an acronym for Laughed My F*cking Ass Off) found fame via their brash mix of house beats, pop hooks, dance moves

and an ostentatious wardrobe. Their stupidly catchy singles Party Rock Anthem and Sexy and I Know It both hit No. 1 in Canada and the U.S.

And while their sound and lyrics certainly have roots in club culture their crossover appeal is what they believe enticed Much into offering them the gig. "The demographic that they want to tune in is our same fan base," say Redfoo. "And especially now, with a lot of the kids listening to LMFAO and having fun with the videos, the parents now are fins."

the parents now are fans."

The pair logged time riffing on camera for the Grammy's Red Carpet, but Redfoo says the MMVAs are a far more structured event. "Me and Sky are always improving and having fun. That's what we do. So it's about capturing the best of that with some guidelines."

MuchMusic organizers have been in regular communication with the band, hammering out a script that allows the two musician's personalities to shine without derailing the show's momentum, or breaking CRTC rules. They're also doing their own research in prep-

Surrounded by superstars

Both Redfoo and Sky Blu have rock royalty in their

- Redfoo. His real name is Stefan Gordy. He is the youngest son of Motown founder Berry Gordy.
- Sky Blu (a.k.a Skyler Gordy). He is Berry's grandson, making Stefan Skylar's uncle.
- Jermaine Jackson. The one-time Jackson 5 member and Michael's older brother, was once married to Stefan's older sister, Hazel, making the two brothers-in-law.

aration for the show. "There is certain inside Canadian humour," he says. "I have to learn these things. I'm on Wikipedia understanding where the maple syrup came from."

THE 2012 MMVAS RED CARPET SPECIAL STARTS SUNDAY AT 8 P.M. ET, FOLLOWED BY THE AWARDS SHOW AT 9 P.M. ET ON MUCHMUSIC AND FUSE.



'Most exciting part' of MMVAs



The red carpet. The nation's music station prides itself on it unique approach to awards shows

IAN GORMELY scene@metronews.ca

After the show there will be after parties. And after that, there may even be shenanigans in hotel lobbies. But the best way to rub elbows with celebrities at Sunday night's MuchMusic Video Awards is on the pre-show red carpet.

on the pre-show red carpet.
"With the red carpet show,
you never know what's going
to happen and that's the most
exciting part," says Steve Jarman, the show's supervising
producer.

The red carpet will overtake

John St. between Queen and Richmond for the third time this year, a necessary change after the MMVAs themselves overtook the red carpet's former home on Queen St.

Exactly 6,450 feet of material will be laid down to handle the over 150 expected guests who'll walk along the space's namesake posing for photos and answering questions

"The red carpet is a huge celebration," says Jarman. "Its a chance for fans to get up close and personal with their favourite stars."

The nation's music station has always prided itself on its unique approach to awards shows, holding it in an office building and parking lot instead of a stuffy theatre to create a party atmosphere.

That attitude extends to the red carpet where flashy arrivals have become the rule rather than the exception. Ice Cream trucks, ambulances, even giant hamster balls have been used to deliver the stars to the party.

Unique transportation is generally discussed with organizers ahead of time. Jarman says organizers do their best to accommodate but sometimes, safety trumps spectacle, like the time one artist wanted to land a hot-air balloon on the street

Planning started earlier this winter and weeks are spent hammering out a runsheet with guest's scheduled arrival times. But that runsheet often goes out the window within the first five minutes. And that's just fine with Jarman.

"We don't want to have just

"We don't want to have just a regular red carpet show," he says. "Our show's a lot more about the party."

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Watch ..

Bunheads

The Vegas showgirl lifestyle loses its lustre for a classically trained ballerina (Sutton Foster), who impulsively marries an admirer (Alan Ruck) and moves to his sleepy seaside community of Paradise, Calif., where his mother (Kelly Bishop) runs a dance studio – and lives with him and his new bride. Bunheads is also a great choice for those in Gilmore Girls withdrawal comes from GG creator Amy Sherman-Palladino and features her trademark machine-



gun quips and pop-culture references. Airs Mondays on ABC Spark.

If you miss ..

The backstabbing of Revenge.

Watch ...

Dallas. The Ewing clan is just as contemptuous as you remember from the hit prime-time soap of the '80s - and now the next generation is involved in the family's favourite pastime of screwing each other over. Returning principals include Larry Hagman as J.R. Ewing, Linda Gray as Sue Ellen Ewing and Patrick Duffy as Bobby Ewing; rekindling the family rivalry is J.R. and Sue Ellen's son John Ross (Josh Henderson) and Bobby's adopted son, Christopher



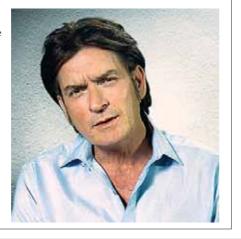
(Jesse Metcalfe), who take on the roles of their fathers. The oil fields of Texas remain a focal point, but because this is 2012, expect a few lessons on alternative energy in between all the fussin' and feudin'. Airs Wednesdays on Bravo.

If you miss ...

The juvenile antics of Two and a Half Men (especially those of Charlie

Watch ...

Anger Management. FX says Charlie Sheen is reformed (we'd say reformed-ish) since the meltdown that forced his exit from the No. 1 sitcom last year. Adapted from the film of the same name, this comedy finds Sheen as a guy whose anger issues lead him to become a therapist. He's got a teen daughter to give him a sense of responsibility, but there's also a string of ladies interested in the former bad boy. Must be the tiger blood Premieres June 28 on CTV.



If you miss ... The high-stakes workplace of The Good Wife.

Watch ...

The Newsroom.

Delivering the news isn't pretty; the business of delivering the news is even uglier in this behind-the-scenes look at the people who produce a cable-news program. Just as he did on The West Wing writer Aaron Sorkin has cre ated another community of flawed fast-talkers with noble intentions. Jeff Daniels stars as the news team's anchor



(literally and metaphorically) who tries to deliver "real" stories while his producers and network (Emily Mortimer, Olivia Munn, Sam Waterston, Jane Fonda) fret over ratings. Premieres June 24 on HBO Canada.

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Alec **Baldwin** set to marry agaiń

Alec Baldwin and fiancé Hilaria Thomas have reportedly set the date of Ĵune 30 for their wedding, according to the New York Post.

"This wasn't a quick decision. It took a lot of planning," a source says. The ceremony will reportedly be a full Catholic wedding at the Bascilla of St. Patrick's Old Cathedral in downtown New York. Baldwin is allowed to get married in the church this time because his first marriage — to Kim Basinger in 1993 — didn't take place in a house of worship. The pair were married on a beach in the Hamptons.

This month in celebs who feel sorry for themselves...

Scarlett Johansson gets a lot of attention for her beauty, but it's not some thing she's exactly thrilled

"I don't like being labelled as 'the sexiest woman alive.' As an actress I prefer to maintain the anonymity," Johansson says in an interview with Grazia And as for being a role

model for other women? She'd rather not.

"There are so many wonderful women out there," Johansson says.



Forget about Katy, it's the paperwork that stressed Russell out

Always the romantic, Russell Brand says the hardest part of divorcing Katy Perry has been all the paperwork.

"I suppose a divorce is difficult, isn't it? Because of the admin. There's a lot of admin," he tells the Mirror. Still, his 14-month marriage wasn't all bad: "Well, it did work out in a way because you are married for some time, and that's really good, and then you're not married, and that's really good. You just have to have acceptance of things," Brand says.

So how does he find this

acceptance so easily?
"I don't want to sound like a lunatic, but if you meditate and do yoga you become attuned to that there



constant and very, very

"Some people would call it God, some people would call it karma or the cosmos. Me, I call it sexual charisma."

is different energy that's beautiful," he insists.

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Theswaq don't match the sweaters

MONICA WEYMOUTH

At first, things seemed pretty nice and tidy with the Chris Brown and Drake brawl that broke out early Thursday morning at Manhattan nightclub W.i.P.

Both hip-hop stars have dated Rihanna in the past, both have a habit of gossiping in pop songs, and one has a history of anger management problems: Case closed.

But now, Drake's people are telling TMZ that the rapper wasn't responsible for the gash on Chris Brown's face that popped up on Twit-

ter Thursday morning.
"Drake did not partici-

pate in any wrongdoing of any kind last night at W.i.P," his rep tells the site. "He was on his way out of the club when the altercation began."

Another source claims that Philly rapper Meek Mill was the one with the problem, and hit Brown with a bottle after a shouting match. No arrests were made, and all of the boldface names were gone by the time police arrived sometime after 4 a.m.

Brown, for one, seems to back up at least the bottle part. His Twitter feed has since been airbrushed by publicists, but at one point after the incident read, "How u party wit rich n**** that hate? Lol... Throwing bottles like girls? #shameonya!"

Well, someone is certainly getting left out of the Cheesecake Factory mall trip this weekend. As soon as a nasty note surfaces on the bathroom wall, we're going to call it: Lamest hip-hop fight ever.



Talk about a friendly divorce: No prenup for Cox, **Arquette**

In possibly the most amicable split in Hollywood history, Courteney Cox reportedly filed her divorce paper the same day as soon-to-be exhusband David Arquette, also citing irreconcilable differences, according to

Like Arquette, Cox is seeking joint custody of their daughter and no spousal support, and she will represent herself in

the proceedings.

The biggest discovery is that the couple, married for 11 years before separating in 2010, did not have a prenup, so all of their community property will be divided equally.

Cox is worth a reported \$75 million, while Arquette is said to be worth \$18 million.

No doesn't mean no for Jake

Jake Gyllenhaal is nothing if not persistent. Though Minka Kelly reportedly turned him down flat when he asked her out last fall, the pair apparently did eventually go out a few times recently, according to Us Weekly.

"Minka wasn't into Jake when he first pursued her," a source says, explaining that the actress "decided to give Jake another chance" after her romance with Wilmer Valderrama fizzled out.

But it looks like things between Gyllenhaal and Kelly didn't last, either: "It was never serious, and it's over now," the source



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My dad isn't much of a drinker. He's more of a six-pack of beer a year and a sip of wine if the occasion insists type than a trained professional like me. He does have a slight

liquid Achilles' heel when it comes to single malt scotch though, which makes Father's Day gifting a no brainer.

Not a blend of different whiskies, single malts are made from a single grain (barley) and a single water source by a single distillery. All that singularity means a glass of this style of scotch comes jam packed with personality, some of which can be pretty over the top.

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the forward flavours and accentuates IAPHROAE the aromas. PRICES REFLECT

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- 1. In a large bowl, gently combine beef, cumin, pepper and 7 ml (1 1/2 tsp) salt. Shape into 4 patties of equal size, each about 2 cm (3/4) inch) thick. With your thumb or the back of a spoon, make a shallow indentation about 2.5 cm (1 inch) wide in the centre of each patty. This will help the patties cook evenly and prevent them from puff-ing on the grill. Cover and refrigerate until ready to cook.
- **2.** Prepare a two-zone fire for high heat (230 C/450 F to 290 C/550 F).
- 3. In a medium skillet over medium heat, warm 15 ml (1 tbsp) of the oil. Add onion and garlic and cook until onion is tender, about 3 min-

4 portions Ideal grill: Charcoal Smoke intensity: Strong Prep time: 20 minutes Cooking time: 20 minutes

- 750 g (1 1/2 lb) ground chuck (80 per cent lean)
 • 10 ml (2 tsp) ground cumin
- 7 ml (1 1/2 tsp) ground black
- Kosher salt
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) extra-virgin olive oil, divided
- 1 small red onion, finely
- chopped • 1 garlic clove, minced
- 4 plum tomatoes, each cut in half lengthwise
- 2 large handfuls mesquite wood chips, soaked in water for at least 30 minutes
- 45 ml (3 tbsp) finely chopped fresh cilantro leaves
- 1 canned chipotle chili pep
- per in adobo sauce, minced • 15 ml (1 tbsp) fresh lime juice
- 4 slices smoked cheddar or smoked Gouda cheese, each about 30 q (1 oz)
- 4 hamburger rolls

utes, stirring occasionally. Transfer to a medium bowl. Brush tomatoes with remaining 30 ml (1 tbsp) of oil.

4. Brush cooking grate clean. Drain and add half of the wood chips to the char-

coal and put the lid on the grill. When smoke appears, place tomato halves, cut side up, over indirect high heat. Close lid and cook until tomato juices are bubbling and the skins split, about 12 minutes. Remove from grill. Remove and discard tomato skins and roughly chop tomatoes. Add tomatoes, cil-antro, chili and lime juice to onion mixture. Season with

5. Drain and add remaining wood chips to charcoal and put lid on the grill. When wood starts to smoke, cook

salt. Set aside.

patties over direct high heat, with lid closed as much as possible, until cooked to medium doneness, 8 to 10 minutes, turning once. During the last minute of cooking time, place a slice of cheese on each patty to melt and toast the rolls, cut side down. Remove from grill and build each burger with the salsa. Serve warm.

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Hockey

Sea Dogs coach lands job with Canadiens: Report

Gerard Gallant is reportedly being named an assistant coach with the Montreal

Canadiens on Friday. The Montreal Gazette is reporting Gallant informed the Saint John Sea Dogs on Thursday he wouldn't be returning after leading the club to a second-consecutive Memorial Cup final last month.

Gallant is no stranger to the NHL coaching ranks as he is a former bench boss of the Columbus Blue Jackets. He was also an assistant with Columbus and later the New York Islanders. METRO



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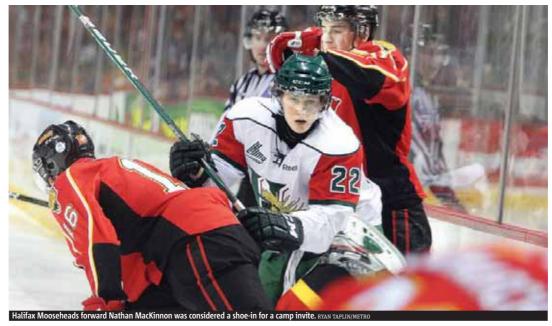
Tigers snag Marauders captain

The Dalhousie Tigers men's hockey team has added some offensive punch to its lineup for next season.

The team announced Thursday that Metro Marauders captain and sniper Andrew Wigginton is joining the Tigers for the 2012-13 campaign.

The six-foot centre from Sackville is a graduate of the Dartmouth Subways major midget program and also played parts of one season with the Halifax Mooseheads.

Wigginton, 20, had 36 goals and 44 assists last season with the Marauders.



Moose trio earn Hockey Canada calls

Hockey. Twenty-two players will earn spots on under-18 team for Ivan Hlinka memorial tournament in Slovakia and Czech Republic from Aug. 13 to 18.



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As expected, three 16-year-old members of the Halifax Mooseheads have earned invites to the Canadian under-18 selec-

tion camp. Forwards Nathan MacKinnon and Jonathan Drouin, along with netminder Zachary Fucale, were amongst 40 players named by Hockey Canada on Thursday.

The breakdown sees four

goalies, 12 defenceman and 24 forwards invited, with 10 players coming from the Quebec Major Junior Hockey League.

Halifax is the only Q team to have more than one player selected.

"These players are the cream of the crop of under-18 talent in Canada, and it's going to be exciting to see them battle for 22 roster spots," Hockey Canada head scout Kevin Prendergast said in a release. "As it is every year, there were some tough decisions to get down to 40, and they'll be even tougher decisions to make to finalize

the roster.

The Thursday announcement officially Thursday officially means MacKinnon, a star forward from Cole Harbour, won't suit up for the Canada-Russia Chalthe for the Canada-Russia Charlenge, an under-20 primer for the 2013 IIIHF world junior championship on Aug. 13 and 14 at the Halifax Metro Centre.

"If a player is on the Under-18 camp roster an-nounced today, he will not be on the roster for the Canada-Russia Challenge, which will be announced (Friday)," Hockey Canada spokesman Andre Brin wrote in an email to Metro Halifax Thursday. "Players on the under-18 camp roster could still be considered for world juniors at Christmas time.

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Other QMJHL players invited:

- Defence. Nikolas Brouillard. Drummondville: Samuel Morin, Rimouski; Matt Murphy, Val-d'Or.
- Forwards. Anthony Duclair, Quebec; Jérémy Grégoire, Chicoutimi; Yan-Pavel Laplante, P.E.I.; Tommy Veilleux, Victoriaville.

Canada rule dictates underage players (17 and younger) who have not been part of Canada's summer U-18 program are not eligible for the summer U-20 development camp.

PGA. Tiger Woods on the hunt at the U.S. Open

Any comfort Michael Thompson took looking up at the leaderboard at The Olympic Club and finally seeing his name at the top fizzled fast when he saw the player one spot below.

Tiger Woods.

Thompson shot a 4-under 66 in the first round of the U.S. Open on Thursday, taking a three-shot lead in the clubhouse over the hard-charging Woods and David Toms.

The 2007 U.S. Amateur runner-up at Olympic Club played as though he knew the course, finishing with seven birdies to go with three bogeys in an aggressive and fearless round.



"Give Tiger the spotlight," Thompson said. "I don't care. I'm going to go out and play my game. If I go out and putt the way I did today, I'll be in con-THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cain pitches franchise's first perfect game

MLB

Matt Cain tossed and turned and managed all of about four hours of sleep following his history-making gem for the Giants.

Perfectly understandable

Cain's perfect game ll be remembered will among the most masterful pitching performances in regular-season baseball history, if not ever.

He struck out a careerbest 14 batters, making up more than half of his 27 straight outs.

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Cycling. Armstrong takes action against allegations

Lance Armstrong is gearing up for a fight over the latest round of doping allegations.

Armstrong's lawyers demanded access to evidence gathered by the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency, including test results and the names of witnesses who said they saw the seven-time Tour de France champion use performanceenhancing drugs.

Armstrong has until June 22 to respond in writing to the fresh allegations, the first step of what could be a

months-long process.

"I'm exploring all my options," Armstrong said in telephone interview on

Armstrong could be stripped of the Tour de France titles he won from 1999 to 2005 and banned from cycling, though he retired from the sport last

Thursday with The Associated Press from Paris. "They're not limited only to arbitration with USADA. I think there are other questions that need to be answered with regard to their behaviour and tactics. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SPORTS

Soccer

"All sports fall into a rhythm, and at the moment our team is in a good rhythm with balance and in team spirit."

Canadian men's soccer team head coach Stephen Hart on Thursday. Canada is riding the momentum of taking four of six possible points in two World Cup qualifiers.

The victories, a spirited 1-0 win in Cuba and 0-0 home draw against Honduras, has placed Canada second in CONCACAF Group C, trailing Panama, which has collected six points in two matches.

matches. Now Canada sits idle before row Canada sits full before resuming the quest for a Brazil 2014 berth with a match in Toronto against Panama on Sept. 7.

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Irish find no luck against Spaniards

Euro 2012. Ireland eliminated from tournament

Spain's dazzling ball control, dizzying passing game and deluge of shots were way too much for Ireland.

Fernando Torres scored a goal in each half, and David Silva and substitute Cesc Fabregas added the others as Spain beat Ireland 4-0 and eliminated the Irish from the European Championship with its most lopsided loss in 41 years.

Spain, which leads Group

C along with Croatia with four points, dominated the tempo and scoring opportunities through its quick combinations and precise passing. The defending champions completed an incredible 779 passes and took 26 shots in a performance that put it on course for a spot in the quarterfinals.

Torres, who scored in the Euro 2008 final, put Spain ah-ead early after dispossessing Richard Dunne inside the area and scurrying past Stephen Ward before sending an angled shot over goalkeeper Shay Given in the fourth minute.

Torres started over Fabregas as the world champions reverted to fielding a traditional





striker after the attack was led by six midfielders against Italy. The Chelsea striker showed that a late season turnaround was no fluke as he became Spain's third all-time leading scorer with 30 goals in 95 appearances.

"We wanted to win, to make a better impression than we did against Italy," said Torres, whose team completed three times as many passes as the Irish. "From the first minute we showed the character to win."

Torres' first goal marked the start of Spain's assault on the Irish, who had started well with Simon Cox forcing Spain goalkeeper Iker Casillas into a tricky save in the second

"Unfortunately the goal for the second time after three minutes throws your tactical plan out the window," said Îreland coach Giovanni Trapattoni, whose team also conceded early in a 3-1 loss to Croatia.

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o Torres moves past Ireland's Richard Dunne, left, and Sean St. Ledger to score Thursday in Gdansk,

Given considers future

Ireland goalkeeper Shay Given says his team's early exit from the European Championship following a 4-0 thrashing by Spain could prompt some players to consider retiring from international duty.

Given, 36, says he will

think about his own future after Ireland was outclassed Thursday by the defending champions. Other key performers like Damien Duff, Richard Dunne and Robbie Keane are also over 30.

Given says his emotions are "very raw" after the team's elimination and thinks there will be "a few players" who might make way for younger players. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS





Feeling hot

French coach Laurent Blanc has moaned about the sweltering playing conditions for the matches in Donetsk, where his team is based, saying "I just went to the stadium and it's like an OVED." THE ASSOCAITED PRESS.

Netherlands. Dutch dud

The Dutch are at the bottom of Group B with no points after two matches, and reaching for the calculator to determine how they can stay alive in the tourna-

Fights. Trials or hooligans

Warsaw police say eight people have been convicted in summary procedures and 125 will go to court after fights involving Russian and Polish hooligans when their teams played a Euro 2012 match. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



"For the vast majority of time, we were chasing shadows."

Ireland midfielder Keith Andrews after playing Spain

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Croatia pegs back Italy

After all the talk about an attacking approach to football, Italy fell back to its old defensive tactics Thursday — and the price was a costly 1-1 draw with Croatia.

The Italians let a first-half lead slip away and now may need help to advance to the European Championship quarter-finals.

Andrea Pirlo gave the Italians the lead with a curving free kick in the 39th minute, but Mario Mandzukic was left unmarked to equalize for Croatia in the 72nd.

At the start of the second half, Italy rarely threatened,



"I'm happy for the goal but it's a shame for the team performance."

Italy's Andrea Pirlo

instead choosing to absorb Croatia's attacks. The tactic backfired when Ivan Strinic launched a long pass from the left flank to Mandzukic, who

had time to control and shoot it in off the post.

Italy coach Cesare Prandelli was left wondering if there was a physical problem with his squad.

"After an hour our physical level drops," Prandelli said. "We've got to figure out how to manage our energy in the next match. We're lacking freshness in that phase of the match."

"Probably the whole country was not expecting this,' Croatia coach Slaven Bilic said. We have a really good chance of going through.

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- 16 "OK" gesture
- 18 To this point
- 20 Black wood
- 21 "- the ramparts ..."
- 22 Dollar bill
- 23 Pickling solution 26 "Pulp Fiction" actress
- 30 Fond du —, Wisc.
- 31 Scenery chewer
- 32 "Little Women" woman
- 33 Bambi's rabbit friend
- 36 Type of poem
- 38 Sweet potato
- 39 Additionally
- 40 Wound souvenirs
- 43 Lightning accompaniment
- 47 Thanksgiving, e.g. 49 Race-driver Earnhardt
- 50 Hippocratic —
- 51 Branch
- 52 Historic times
- 53 Experts
- 54 Buck's mate
- 55 Landlord's due

Down

- 1 Help with a crime 2 Shower alternative
- 3 Birthright barterer 4 Textbook seament
- 5 "When You Wish
- Upon —"
- 6 Physicist Niels
- 7 PC processor 8 Talk on and on
- 9 Approximately
- 10 Dazzle
- 11 Catch sight of
- 17 Waiter's handout 19 Retainer
- 22 Resistance measure
- 23 Sandwich order, for
- short
- 24 Cheery remark? 25 Hosp. section
- 26 Pitch
- 27 Scratch 28 Parisian's pal
- 29 Big Apple abbr.
- 31 Height of fashion?
- 34 Aromatic resins
- 35 Get a good grade 36 Reed or Rawls
- 37 There
- 39 Rosemary's partner
- 40 Halt 41 Burn somewhat
- 42 Car

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- 43 Poi source
- 44 Challenge
- 45 Verve

46 Whatever's left over

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How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

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Vostorday's Sudoku



Cryptoquip

This is a substitution cipher where one letter stands for another. Eg: If X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle.

NWCQ ETI MT QTK NFQ

NCFXWK-UTVV ZTQKCVK. ZTIUM ETI VDE ETI NCAC

GCDKCQ GE D VUFL LDAXFQ?
Yesterday's Cryptoquip: IF EMPLOYEES PAUSE
TO TAKE SOME REFRESHING SIPS OF SODA,
MIGHT THEY BE DRINKING BREAK FLUID?

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: E equals Y



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Aries | March 21 - April 20.

No doubt you have big plans and no doubt you are going places but keep a sense of perspective.

Taurus | April 21 - May 21.

You won't lack confidence today but will you match it with common sense? If you don't, you could find that something you expected to go ght goes wrong at the last minute.

II Gemini | May 22 - June 20. You will be inspired to try something new today. Whether your sense of adventure is a good thing remains he seen.

Gancer | June 21 - July 22.

What you need today is a fresh way of looking at the world around you, and the only way to get that is to ask people for their opinions. Will your ego allow it? It should.

Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22. You are sure to have a brilliant idea today but you would be wise to get a second opinion before you put it into effect.

117 Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22. There is no limit to what you can achieve now but there is a danger that you will take too much for

granted and make a silly mistake. **___ Libra** | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22.

A lot of things don't seem to make much sense at the moment but does it matter? Life is and always will be a mystery. That's what akes it interesting

M Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21.

You may have something worthwhile to say but that does not mean everyone you interact with is going to believe you, or even want to hear your message.

⁷ Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec.

21. You may not be thinking clearly at the moment. So, if there are decisions to be made wait until the Sun anges signs on the 20th.

Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan 20. You know what you want and your

confidence is such that the thought of failure has not crossed your mind. That's good. Keep believing.

Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb 18. Do you keep your plans to yourself or do you let everyone know about them? If you are smart, you won't

too much away. H Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20. Some of the ideas you come up with

today and over the weekend will be remarkable even by your superior standards.

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